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MOLECULAR-FLOW FRACTIONATOR AND BIORACTOR WITH INTEGRATED ACTIVE/PASSIVE DIFFUSION BARRIER

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the non-final Office Action, dated December 8, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.